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TAGS: PARM, NATO, MBFR, GW

SUBJECT: MBFR: GROMYKO ALLEGEDLY SAYS PROGRESS NOT
LINKED TO SALT

REF: BRUSSELS 09807 DTG 061712Z OCT 76 (NOTAL)

IN ITS OCT. 6 EDITION THE "FRANKFURTER RUNDSCHAU"
REPORTED IN A STORY DATED BRUSSELS THAT GROMYKO HAD
TOLD FONMIN VAN ELSLANDE (REFTEL) THAT RESULTS IN SALT
WERE NOT AN INESCAPABLE CONDITION FOR "PROGRESS" IN

MBFR. THE STORY CONTINUED THAT GROMYKO'S ANNOUNCEMENT
HAD ATTRACTED ATTENTION AMONG POLITICAL OBSERVERS
BECAUSE IT APPEARED TO INDICATE CHANGED PRIORITIES IN
MOSCOW'S WESTERN POLICY IN VIEW OF THE SOVIET DEMAND
FOR A WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE. THE ARTICLE CON-
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CLUDED BY NOTING THAT DIPLOMATIC CIRCLES DID NOT

EXCLUDE THAT MOSCOW, BY REFERRING TO "PROGRESS" IN
MBFR IN THE SENSE OF THE WESTERN DEMAND FOR TROOP PARITY
IN CENTRAL EUROPE, WAS SEEKING THE SUPPORT OF WEST
EUROPEAN GOVERNMENTS FOR INTERNATIONAL DISARMAMENT
NEGOTIATIONS AND COULD POSSIBLY OBTAIN IT.
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